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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 30 June 2005 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☒ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

Claims 18-21 were proposed as added to claims allowed on 6/16/05. Applicants state that the claims are substantially equal to original claims 14-17 which were canceled inadvertantly. Claims 14-17 were originally withdrawn due to an restriction requirement. Applicants believe that the claims should be rejoined. Upon review of the claims, claim 1 has been amended in such a way as to no longer be generic and therefore, no generic claim has been allowed. As a result, Entry is denied.

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